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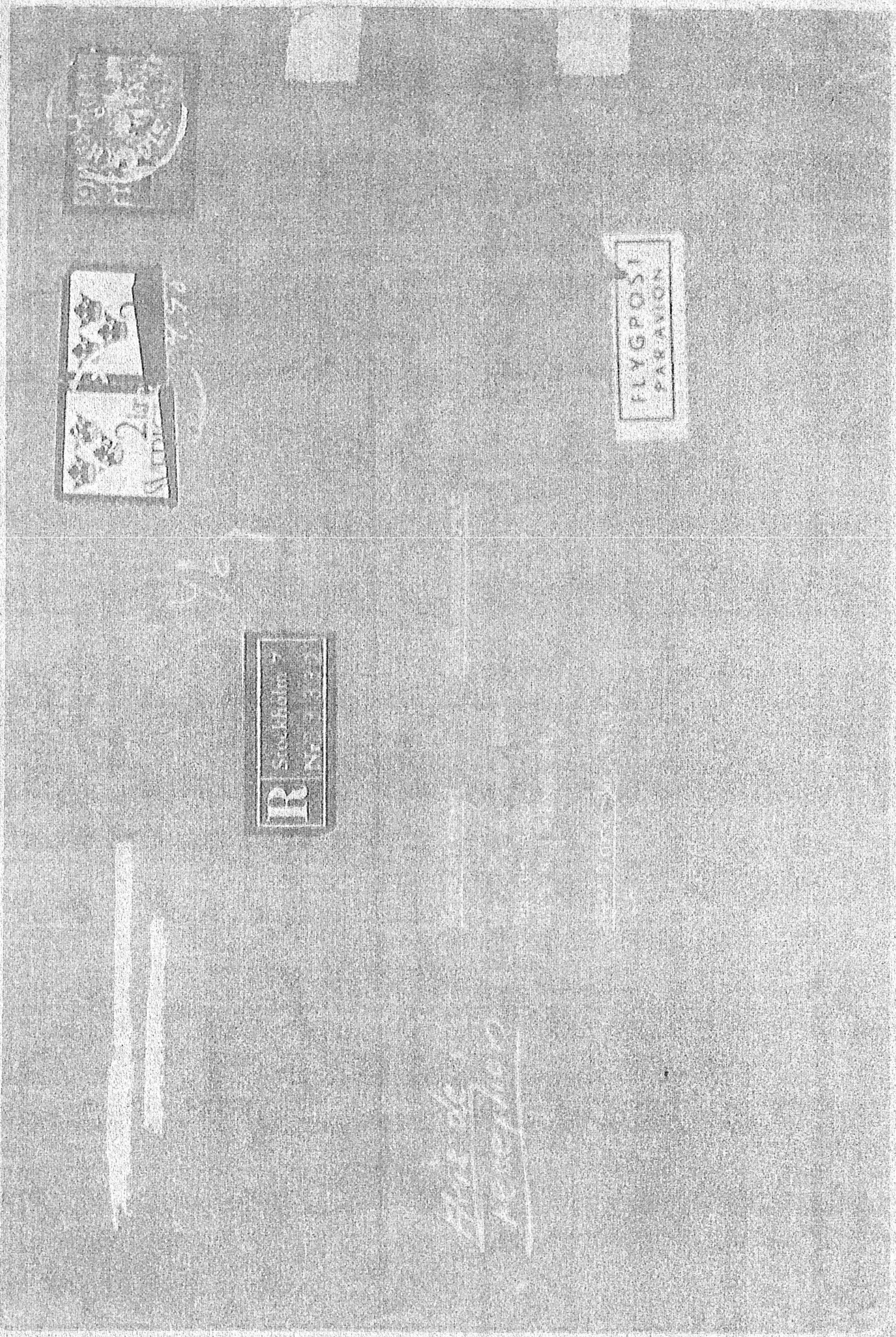

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Arms Outdistancing Policy in Grim Race

By George C. Wilson

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The world's arms race has reached a critical new phase in which man's weapons have far outdistanced his policies for controlling them.

This hard fact of international life is the legacy of three new weapons advances in the United States, Russia and China which the public has been told very little about.

These are the developments escalating the arms race:

- The new Poseidon missile the U.S. plans to install in Polaris submarines is far more than just another ICBM. It is really several missiles in one since it carries several bombs in its warhead to penetrate the defense and hit the target.
- The Russian anti-ballistic-missile (A B W) system which is being deployed appears far more advanced than it has been given credit for, adding a new factor to East-West strategic balance calculations.
- The Red Chinese in their latest nuclear test fired a short-range missile at supersonic speed—not a primitive rig as some had speculated.

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One theory—and it is only that—is that Russia is working on an anti-missile defense which would knock down U.S. missiles far out in space rather than in the atmosphere.

The ultimate anti-missile [illegible] is one which intercepts the enemy missile [illegible] it is launched before the confusing cluster of warheads can separate. But the consensus is that both the U.S. and Russia are far from technologically.

Another reason for the disagreement about what Russia is up to is that the U.S. has obtained photographs of gantries for missiles bigger than any seen by the West. One suspicion is that Russia may be testing an advanced missile which could use the same cluster penetration technique as Poseidon.

If clusters of warheads really are the most effective weapons for the future, one argument is that Russia's [illegible]-thrust rocket would be able to carry a whole bunch of them and thus reduce its missile gap with the U.S.

This is another question for world policy leaders to ponder as they calculate today's strategic balance in arms.

Such calculation must also take Chinese missile progress into account. Interviews indicated that the officials most knowledgeable about nuclear weapons are also the ones kho take Red Chinese nuclear progress most seriously.

"We all have read the same textbooks," said one such official. "There is no reason to doubt the Chinese cannot build the nuclear missiles they want."

What worries this official most is the evidence that Red China is out to get operational missiles in the shortest possible time rather than refine the science of nuclear weaponry.

If Red China has more of the 500-mile-range missiles it used in its latest test and has produced the nuclear warheads for them, China already is a varsity entry in the arms race—despite its late start.

The weapons progress of the U.S., Russia and China—the arms specialists agree—is impressive. The question is whether the policies for controlling these weapons can catch up.

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